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**RE: U.S. PATENT APPLICATION S.N. 09/780,650, FILED FEBRUARY 12, 2001,
"ESTROGENIC COMPOUNDS AS ANTI-MITOTIC AGENTS"**

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D'AMATO ET AL.Serial No.: **09/780,650**Filed: **February 12, 2001**For: **ESTROGENIC COMPOUNDS AS
ANTI-MITOTIC AGENTS**Examiner: **B. Badio, Ph.D.**Art Unit: **1616****AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 27, 2003 in the above-identified patent application, a response which is due July 27, 2003 by virtue of the request for a three-month extension of time and enclosed check for \$930. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and appended remarks. Concurrently herewith applicants are also filing a request for continued examination.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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